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The following Reports were ordered to be printed:

#### REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY.

The sixteen meetings provided for by the By-Laws were held during the year from the last of November, 1910, to the beginning of December, 1911, with an average attendance of thirty-two. A few reports of original investigations were presented and communications were made by Benjamin Sharp, James A. G. Rehn, Henry A. Pilsbry, Frank J. Keeley, E. G. Conklin, Herbert Fox, H. Van Sickle, Hugo Bilgram, Charles S. Boyer, Mr. Owen, Thomas S. Stewart, Samuel G. Dixon, Henry Skinner, Philip P. Calvert, Henry Tucker, Thomas H. Montgomery, Jr., Edgar T. Wherry, Spencer Trotter, Edwin S. Balch, Witmer Stone, John W. Harshberger, Charles Morris, and Stewardson Brown. Most of these were illustrated by lantern slides. They were not reported for publication.

Thirty-four papers were presented as follows: Henry W. Fowler, 6; Henry A. Pilsbry, 5; Amos P. Brown, 3; Edw. G. Vanatta, 2; Thomas H. Montgomery, Jr., 2; Ralph V. Chamberlin, 2; S. Stillman Berry, 2; H. A. Pilsbry and James H. Ferriss, 1; Amos P. Brown and H. A. Pilsbry, 1; Frank J. Keeley, 1; J. Percy Moore, 1; Witmer Stone, 1; James A. G. Rehn, 1; Clarence B. Moore, 1; Norman E. McIndoo, 1; Nathan Banks, 1; Howard Crawley, 1; Friedr. Dahl, 1; and R. W. Shufeldt, 1.

Of these, two were accepted for publication in the *JOURNAL*, three were returned to the authors, and two await the action of the Publication Committee. Mr. Clarence B. Moore has again borne the entire cost of publication of a beautifully illustrated part of the *JOURNAL*, forming No. 3 of Volume XIV.

The issue of publications during the year has been as follows: *PROCEEDINGS*, 674 pages and 41 plates; *JOURNAL*, 113 pages and 8 plates; *ENTOMOLOGICAL NEWS*, 480 pages, 19 plates; *TRANSACTIONS OF THE AMERICAN ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY* (Entomological Section of the Academy), 380 pages and 13 plates; *MANUAL OF CONCHOLOGY*, 175 pages and 26 plates, forming part of Volume XXI.

The volume had been completed by Dr. Pilsbry before the end of November, but owing to a mishap with the lithographic printer the

concluding number was not issued until later, so that it will be included in the statistics of publication of next year.

Thirty members and six correspondents have been elected. The deaths of seven members and fourteen correspondents were announced. In recording the death of the Rev. Henry C. McCook, the Secretary referred briefly to the value of his work and to the very important services rendered by him to the Academy as Vice-President, and especially in connection with the Committee on Instruction and Lectures. A much more adequate memorial has been published by Dr. Philip P. Calvert in the current volume of the *ENTOMOLOGICAL NEWS*.

The appointments made by the President on the recommendation of the Council are noted in the report of the Corresponding Secretary.

Resignations of membership were received from Wm. J. Sinclair, H. R. M. Landis, H. T. Wolf and T. Guilford Smith.

A successful meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union was held in the Lecture Hall and Reading Room, November 13-16.

The Committee on Instruction and Lectures reports that the usual course of free popular evening lectures was conducted in conjunction with the Ludwick Institute, January 9-April 20, 1911, this being the second series delivered in the new Lecture Hall of the Academy.

Five lectures on Bird Life about Philadelphia were delivered by Mr. Witmer Stone; three on the Conservation of Human Energies and Resources by Dr. Seneca Egbert; two on the Mammalia by Dr. Spencer Trotter; five on Scientific Explorers of America and their Discoveries by Dr. H. A. Pilsbry; five on Entomology by Dr. Henry Skinner; five on Local Wild Flowers by Mr. Witmer Stone (in the absence of Mr. Stewardson Brown); five on Animal Coloration and its Significance by Dr. J. Percy Moore.

Beginning September 13, 1911, an afternoon course was given to students of the Girls' High Schools of Philadelphia, who visited the Academy in company with their teachers. This course was very largely attended. Two lectures each were delivered by the following speakers: Mr. Witmer Stone on Local Birds, Dr. J. Percy Moore on Mammals and Reptiles, Dr. Henry Skinner on Insects, Mr. Stewardson Brown on Plants, and Dr. Henry A. Pilsbry on Mollusks.

Early in the year resolutions were adopted by the Council approving of a fitting celebration of the Centenary of the Academy on the 19th, 20th, and 21st of next March. The President appointed a committee of forty-one to make arrangements for such celebration.

The General Committee has been divided into sub-committees on Printing and Publications, Meetings and Addresses, Invitations, Finance, and Entertainment. In harmony with a preliminary report of this committee, the publication of three volumes has been decided upon: A commemorative quarto volume of scientific memoirs, an index to the series of PROCEEDINGS and JOURNALS up to and including 1910, and a detailed history of the Academy by the Recording Secretary, of which the chapter contributed to the *Founders' Week Memorial Volume* may be regarded as a prodromus. It has been decided to hold the first session on the meeting night of the Academy, March 19, when historical addresses will probably be delivered; two morning sessions will be devoted to the reading of scientific papers; on the afternoon of the second day a microscopical exhibition will be given and the resources of the Academy demonstrated; on the evening of that day a reception will be tendered to members, guests and friends, and the proceedings will probably end with a banquet on the evening of March 21st, the official birthday of the Academy.

The preparation of the proposed publications is progressing satisfactorily, and it is hoped that a united effort may be made to secure for the occasion a success commensurate with its importance in the history of the Academy and in its relation to the advancement of science in America.

EDWARD J. NOLAN,  
*Recording Secretary.*

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#### REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

During the year just closed death claimed the following named correspondents: Charles Otis Whitman, Ernest André, Thomas Rupert Jones, Samuel H. Scudder, C. M. Scammon, Maskelyne N. Story and Florentino Ameghino. The death of Professor Ralph Tate, in 1901, was also announced.

The election of six correspondents has been recorded in the current PROCEEDINGS. A revised list of correspondents has been prepared for publication by the Assistant Librarian.

Invitations to participate in the following events of interest to the scientific world were received: The International Hygiene Exhibition in Dresden; the learned congress in connection with the Millenary Fêtes in celebration of the one thousandth anniversary of the freedom of Normandy; the international programme in honor of the memory of Amedeo Avogadro; the one hundredth anniversary of the founding